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COMMUNICATION REGARDING NOTICE OF NON-COMPLIANT AMENDMENT

Sir:

Applicants have received a Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment, dated February 20, 2009. On February 26, 2009, Applicants' attorney spoke with Ms. Brenda Murphy (phone: 571-272-1033), who advised applicants that the status of claim 67 of the pending application was unclear. Ms. Murphy kindly advised Applicants' attorney to (1) file a communication responsive to the Notice; and (2) to re-file Applicants' response of January 26, 2009, so as to resolve all issues presented by the Notice.

In accordance with Ms. Murphy's guidance, Applicants are filing the present Communication to advise the office that claim 67 is canceled, and Applicants are also re-filing on this date their January 26, 2009 response so as to clarify the status of claim 67.

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